New Mexico - (Clayton Field Office)
FY 2005 RANKING CRITERIA WORKSHEET - CONSERVATION BUFFER

Applicant: _____ Address _____

Phone _____ Farm # _____ Tract # _____ CMS Field #s _____ Date _____

Tribal Land _____ Non-Tribal Land _____ Preliminary Rating _____ Final Rating _____

1. Major Resource Concern: 175 Total Points

Total environmental points will be adjusted based on the total feet of buffer planned. The following procedure will be utilized: Total Feet of Buffer (length x number of rows) divided by 1000 x Total Points. For example, if total buffer feet is 2560, multiply total points by 2.56 to obtain Adjusted Environmental Points..	Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	Points Awarded
Windbreak/Shelterbelt - 125 points available			
Soil Erosion- Wind			
Protection available to cropland/public road =	50		
Protection available to farmstead =	25		
Animal- Inadequate Cover/Shelter			
Protection available to livestock or facilities	10		
Composed of multiple rows	10		
Composed of multiple species	10		
Water- Inadequate supplies			
Wildlife water available year round	20		
Plants- Composition			
Random tree planting of 100+ trees/shrubs	25		
Establishment /Planting of zones 1-3	25		

2. Other Considerations-45 Total Points

	Potential Points	Bench-mark	Points Awarded
A. At risk species are in the area and the contract will enhance habitat for the species	15	0	
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment	10	0	
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active sec. 319 project	10	0	
D. This land is within a NMED designated Category I watershed	10	0	
Totals			
Must be fenced to exclude livestock			

** Funding will be provided to higher ranking scores.

*** Total points will be adjusted based on the total feet of buffer planned. The following procedure will be utilized. For example, if buffer is 250 feet in length, multiply accumulated points by .250 (referred to as length modifier). If planned buffer is 2560 feet in length, multiply points by 2.560, etc.

Length of buffer = _____

         Total points = 0 **x Length Modifier** <u>0.000</u>

         0.00 **ADJUSTED ENVIRONMENTAL POINTS**

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Producer   **Date**

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Designated Conservationist   **Date**